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This is a Request for filing a X Continuation, Divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of prior application Serial No. 09/378,221, filed on August 19, 1999, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCESSING A REMOTE LOCATION BY SCANNING AN OPTICAL CODE, by the following inventors:

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The above identified prior application has not yet issued, nor has abandonment of proceedings occurred.

1. Enter the amendment previously filed on under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.
2. X A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. Please cancel claims before calculating the filing fee.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1, 2 and 3 above.

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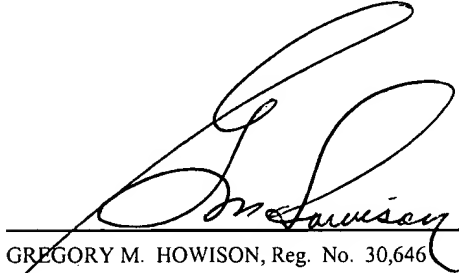
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TOTAL CLAIMS	- 13 =	0	x \$9.00 =	\$.00
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TOTAL				= \$345.00

4. A check in the amount of \$345.00 is enclosed in payment of the filing fees. Please charge any additional fees or deficiencies in fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0780/PHLY-24,910 of HOWISON & HANDLEY, L.L.P.
5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first sentence: This application is a X Continuation, ___ Division of Application Serial No. 09/378,221, filed August 19, 1999.
6. Priority of Application Serial No. _____, filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under U.S.C. 119.
7. The prior application is assigned of record to DigitalConvergence.com Inc.
8. X Applicant continues to assert small entity status as evidenced by the Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status which was filed in the prior application, a copy of which is attached hereto.
9. _____ Please transfer the drawings from the prior application to the new application.
10. _____ A true copy of what is shown in my records to be the above identified prior application as filed, including the oath or declaration as originally filed, is enclosed. (37 C.F.R. 1.60 (b) (2)) The copy of the prior application as filed and attached hereto consists of the following:
- 43 page(s) of specification
 - 5 page(s) of claims
 - 1 page(s) of abstract
 - 13 page(s) of drawing
11. _____ Also enclosed is: _____
- _____ Also enclosed: Request for _____ month extension of time response, with fee of _____
12. The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Gregory M. Howison
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The undersigned states that the enclosed application papers comprise a true copy of the prior application as filed.

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STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS --
SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am an official of the small business concern identified below and am empowered to act on behalf of the concern:

DigitalConvergence.com Inc.
4264 Kellway Circle
Addison, Texas 75244

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 (d), for purposes of paying reduced fees, in that (1) the number of employees of the concern including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons, and (2) the concern has not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the below-identified invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor if the person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern or as a nonprofit organization. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that exclusive rights to the invention have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled
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OPTICAL CODE

and for which application for Letters Patent of the United States was filed August 19, 1999 and assigned Serial No. 09/378,221 by inventor(s), Jeffry Jovan Philyaw and David Kent Mathews.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate. (37 C.F.R. § 1.29 (b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

DigitalConvergence.com Inc.

By:

Jeffry Jovan Philyaw

Its:

President

Date:

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